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In re Application of: Toan Phan

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For: Solid Sheer Panel for Supporting A Light-Framed Structure

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Sir:

In order to comply with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, attached hereto is a copy of Form PTO-1449 and a copy of the documents listed thereon. These documents contain information which the Examiner should consider during examination of the present application.

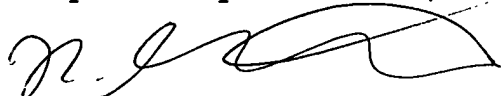
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Early and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

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